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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11 April 2001.
2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-22 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-22 is/are rejected.
7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is responsive to communications: Original application filed 4/11/2001.
2. Claims 1-22 are pending. Claims 1, 11, 12, 17 and 21 are independent claims.

Claim Objections

3. **The numbering of claims is not in accordance with 37 CFR 1.126 which requires the original numbering of the claims to be preserved throughout the prosecution. When claims are canceled, the remaining claims must not be renumbered. When new claims are presented, they must be numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claims previously presented (whether entered or not).**

Misnumbered claims 15, 16, 15 and 16-20 have been renumbered 17-22.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

4. **The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:**

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. **Claims 1-5, 8, 11, 17, 20 and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Baker et al. (herein after Baker) U.S. Patent No. 5,226,118 filed 1/29/1991 in view of Haneda et al. (herein after Haneda) U.S. Patent No. 6,016,502 filed 7/25/1996.**

In regard to independent claim 1, Baker discloses *displaying simultaneously a first chart and a second chart* (Baker Col 3 Lines 23-26); *and in response to the event, replacing the second chart with a third chart so as to display simultaneously the first chart and the third chart.* (Baker Col 9 Lines 27-33)

Baker does not specifically disclose *detecting an event relating to the first chart*. However, Haneda mentions related information (Haneda Col 11 Lines 45-48). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Haneda to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of detecting related information for the benefit of displaying the charts correctly.

In regard to dependent claim 2, Baker discloses *the first chart is partitioned into a plurality of active regions* (Baker Col 9 Lines 8-20); *and the event includes a cursor control event relating to one of the active regions.* (Baker Col 9 Lines 27-33 i.e. pointer)

In regard to dependent claim 3, Baker discloses *selecting the third chart from a plurality of charts based on the one of the active regions indicated by the cursor control event.* (Baker Col 9 Lines 8-20 Lines 23-25 i.e. third menu 27-33 i.e. pointer)

In regard to dependent claim 4, Baker discloses *detecting another cursor control event, wherein other cursor control event relates to another one of the active regions; in response to the other cursor control event* (Baker Col 9 Lines 27-33 i.e. pointer).

Baker does not specifically disclose *performing the steps of: selecting a fourth chart from the plurality of charts based on the other of the active regions indicated by the other cursor control event; and replacing the third chart with the fourth chart so as to display simultaneously the first chart and the third chart*. However, Haneda shows charts (Figure 5 and Figure11),

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which certain rows can be deleted (Figure 7 and 8) and it is understood that certain rows can be deleted and the remaining rows can shift together. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Haneda to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of selecting and replacing or cutting and pasting certain rows to the user can easily compare the different rows.

In regard to dependent claim 5, Baker discloses *wherein the event includes a movement of a cursor over the first chart, a movement of the cursor out of the first chart, or a click when the cursor is positioned over the first chart.* (Baker Col 9 Lines 27-33 i.e. pointer and its understood that a user can click on an object or chart)

In regard to dependent claim 8, Baker discloses *a map element specifying an image map; a first image element referencing the first chart and the image map specified by the map element; and a second image element referencing the second chart; wherein the map element includes an area element that has an event attribute specifying replacement of the second chart with a third chart in response to the cursor control event.* (Baker Col 21 Lines 24-40 and Col 9 Lines 27-33) (Baker Col 3 Lines 23-26)

In regard to dependent claim 11, claim 11 reflects similar subject matter claimed in claim 8 and is rejected along the same rationale.

In regard to independent claim 17, Baker discloses *displaying simultaneously a first chart, a second chart, and a third chart* (Baker Col 3 Lines 23-26)(Baker Col 9 Lines 27-33).

Baker does not specifically disclose *in response to an event relating to the first chart, replacing the second chart with a fourth chart and replacing the third chart with a fifth chart so as to display simultaneously the first chart, the fourth chart, and the fifth chart and in response*

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to an event relating to second chart, replacing the third chart with a sixth chart so as to display simultaneously the first chart, second chart, and the sixth chart. However, Haneda shows charts (Figure 5 and Figure 11), which certain rows can be deleted (Figure 7 and 8) and it is understood that certain rows can be deleted and the remaining rows can shift together. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Haneda to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of selecting and replacing or cutting and pasting certain rows to the user can easily compare the different rows.

In regard to dependent claim 20, Baker discloses *a first map element specifying a first image map; a second map element specifying a second image map; a first image element referencing the first chart and the first image map; and a second image element referencing the second chart and the second image map; a third image element referencing the third chart; wherein the first map element includes an area element that has an event attribute specifying replacement of the second image map with a third image map in response to an event.* (Baker Col 21 Lines 24-40 and Col 9 Lines 27-33) (Baker Col 3 Lines 23-26)

In regard to dependent claim 22, Baker does not specifically disclose *wherein the event attribute further specifies replacement of the second image with a fourth image and replacement of the third image with a fifth image in response to the event.* However, Haneda shows charts (Figure 5 and Figure 11), which certain rows can be deleted (Figure 7 and 8) and it is understood that certain rows can be deleted and the remaining rows can shift together. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Haneda to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of selecting and replacing or cutting and pasting certain rows to the user can easily compare the different rows.

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6. **Claims 6, 7, 9, 10, 12-16, 18, 19 and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Baker et al. (herein after Baker) U.S. Patent No. 5,226,118 filed 1/29/1991 in view of Haneda et al. (herein after Haneda) U.S. Patent No. 6,016,502 filed 7/25/1996 as applied to claim 1 and in further of Linsey et al. (herein after Linsey) U.S. Patent No. 6,791,582 B2 filed 12/29/2000.**

In regard to dependent claim 6, Baker does not specifically disclose *receiving content and styling information for the first chart, second chart, and the third chart; based on the content and styling information for the first chart, second chart, and the third chart; and embodying the instructions in the computer-readable medium.* However, Haneda shows charts containing information (Figure 5 and Figure 11). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Haneda to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of selecting having rows that receive styling information required by the user.

Baker does not specifically disclose *generating the instructions in the markup language.* However Linsey shows a markup language having instructions (Linsey Col 3 Lines 1-15). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Linsey to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of having a markup language with instructions, which is compatible with web pages.

In regard to dependent claim 7, Baker does not specifically disclose *executing a rendering agent to load and render the information in accordance with the instructions in the markup language.* However, Linsey shows a markup language having instructions (Linsey Col 3 Lines 1-15). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the

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invention to apply Linsey to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of having a markup language with instructions, which is compatible with web pages.

In regard to dependent claim 9, Baker does not specifically disclose *wherein the instructions in the markup language are embodied on a single web page*. However, Linsey mentions a document displayed on a browser and it is know that a browser contains web pages (Linsey Col 29 Lines 1-19). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Linsey to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of having a web page compatible with browsers for the user to read.

In regard to dependent claim 10, Baker does not specifically disclose *wherein the step of replacing the second chart with the third chart is performed without loading another web page*. However, Linsey mentions a document displayed on a browser and it is know that a browser contains web pages not reloaded (Linsey Col 29 Lines 1-19). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Linsey to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of having a web page compatible with browsers for the user to read.

In regard to dependent claim 12, Baker discloses *a map element specifying an image map; a first image element referencing a first image to be rendered in a first area and the image map* (Baker Col 21 Lines 24-40 and Col 9 Lines 27-33) (Baker Col 3 Lines 23-26).

Baker does not specifically disclose *a second image element referencing a second image to be rendered in a second area; wherein the map element includes an area element that has: a geometry that overlaps at least part of the first area and does not overlap the second area; and an event attribute specifying replacement of the second image with a third image in response to an event*. However, Haneda mentions a similar event (Haneda Col 9 Lines 1-18). It would have

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been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Haneda to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of overlapping and replacing images important for display to the user.

Baker does not specifically disclose *the geometry specified by the shape attribute*. However, Linsey mentions a similar event (Lindsey Col 27 Lines 10-40). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Linsey to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of having a shape attribute for display to the user.

In regard to dependent claim 13, Baker discloses *wherein the event includes a movement of a cursor*. (Baker Col 9 Lines 27-33 i.e. pointer)

Baker does not specifically disclose *the geometry specified by the shape attribute*. However, Linsey mentions a similar event (Lindsey Col 27 Lines 10-40). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Linsey to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of having a shape attribute for display to the user.

In regard to dependent claim 14, Baker discloses *movement of the cursor into the other geometry specified by the other shape attribute*. (Baker Col 9 Lines 27-33 i.e. pointer)

Baker does not specifically disclose *another geometry that overlaps at least part of the first area and does not overlap the second area; and another event attribute specifying replacement of the second image with a fourth image in response to another*. However, Haneda mentions a similar event (Haneda Col 9 Lines 1-18). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Haneda to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of overlapping and replacing images important for display to the user.

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Baker does not specifically disclose *the geometry specified by the shape attribute*. However, Linsey mentions a similar event (Lindsey Col 27 Lines 10-40). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Linsey to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of having a shape attribute for display to the user.

In regard to dependent claim 15, Baker does not specifically disclose *receiving content and styling information for the first chart, second chart, and the third chart; ... based on the information for the first chart, second chart, and the third chart; and content and styling embodying the instructions in the computer-readable medium*. However, Haneda shows charts containing information (Figure 5 and Figure 11). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Haneda to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of selecting having rows that receive styling information required by the user.

Baker does not specifically disclose *generating the instructions in the markup language*. However Linsey shows a markup language having instructions (Linsey Col 3 Lines 1-15). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Linsey to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of having a markup language with instructions, which is compatible with web pages.

In regard to dependent claims 16 and 19, claims 16 and 19 reflect similar subject matter claimed in claim 7 and is rejected along the same rationale.

In regard to dependent claim 18, Baker does not specifically disclose *receiving content and styling information for the first chart, second chart, the third chart the fourth chart, the fifth chart, and the sixth chart; ... based on the content and styling information for the first chart second chart the third chart the fourth chart, the fifth chart, and the sixth chart; and embodying*

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the instructions in the computer-readable medium. However, Haneda shows charts containing information (Figure 5 and Figure 11). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Haneda to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of selecting having rows that receive styling information required by the user.

Baker does not specifically disclose *generating the instructions in the markup language.* However Linsey shows a markup language having instructions (Linsey Col 3 Lines 1-15). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Linsey to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of having a markup language with instructions, which is compatible with web pages.

In regard to dependent claim 21, Baker discloses *a first map element specifying a first image map; a second map element specifying a second image map; a first image element referencing a first image to be rendered in a first area and the first image map; (Baker Col 21 a second image element referencing a second image to be rendered in a second area and the second image map Lines 24-40 and Col 9 Lines 27-33) (Baker Col 3 Lines 23-26);*

Baker does not specifically disclose *and a third image element referencing a third image to be rendered in a third area; wherein the first map element includes an area element that has: a geometry that overlaps at least part of the first area and does not overlap the second area; and an event attribute specifying replacement of the second image map with a third image map in response to an event.* However, Haneda mentions a similar event (Haneda Col 9 Lines 1-18). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Haneda to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of overlapping and replacing images important for display to the user.

Baker does not specifically disclose *the geometry specified by the shape attribute*. However, Linsey mentions a similar event (Lindsey Col 27 Lines 10-40). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to apply Linsey to Baker, providing Baker the benefit of having a shape attribute for display to the user.

Conclusion

7. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Itaya et al.	U.S. Patent No.	4,845,642	issued	7/1989
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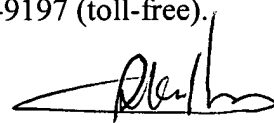
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